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Sir:

The following remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action mailed August 7, 2007. The response due date, extended one month, is December 7, 2007.

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